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Docket No.: 120-2014 JCCD-0128

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Federal Family Educational Loan Program (FFEL)-Administrative Requirements for State, Not-For-Profit Lenders, and Eligible Lender Trustees

AGENCY: Department of Education (ED), Federal Student Aid (FSA)

**ACTION:** Notice

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 30th day after publication of this notice].

ADDRESSES: Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> by selecting Docket ID number ED-2014-ICCD-0128 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at <a href="https://www.regulations.gov">ICDocketMgr@ed.gov</a>. Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted; ED will ONLY accept comments during the comment period in this mailbox when the regulations.gov site is not available. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Mailstop L-OM-2-2E319, Room 2E115, Washington, D.C. 20202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202-377-4018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this

collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Federal Family Educational Loan Program (FFEL)- Administrative Requirements for States, Not-For-Profit Lenders, and Eligible Lender Trustees

OMB Control Number: 1845-0085

Type of Review: An extension of an existing information collection.

Respondents / Affected Public: Private Sector, State, Local and Tribal Governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 69

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 69

Abstract: The regulations in 34 CFR 682.302(f) assures the Secretary that the integrity of the program is protected from fraud and misuse of the program funds. These regulations require a State, non-profit entity, or eligible lender trustee to provide to the Secretary a certification on the State or non-profit entity's letterhead signed by the State or non-profit's Chief Executive Officer which states the basis upon which the entity qualifies as a State or non-profit entity. The submission must include documentation establishing the entity's State or non-profit status. In addition, the submission must include the name and lender identification number for which the eligible not-for profit designation is being certified. Once an entity has been approved as an eligible not-for-profit holder, the entity must provide to the Secretary an annual certification on the State or no-profit entity's letterhead signed by the CEO, which includes the name and lender identification number(s) of the entities for which designation is being re-certified. The annual certification must state that the State or non-profit entity has not altered its status as a State or non-profit entity since its prior certification to the Secretary and that it continues to satisfy the requirements of an eligible not-for-profit holder either in its own right or through a trust agreement with an eligible lender trustee. Further, when an approved not-for-profit holder has a change in status, within 10 days of becoming aware of the occurrence of a change that may result in a State or non-profit entity that has been designated an eligible not-for-profit holder, either directly or through an eligible lender trustee, losing that eligibility, the State or non-profit entity must submit details of the change to the Secretary.

Dated: November 5, 2014

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